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1. TEXT FOLLOWS OF NOTES TO BE EXCHANGED EXTENDING AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT. NOTES HAVE NOT RPT NOT BEEN EXCHANGED. WILL REPORT BY IMMEDIATE CABLE WHETHER OR NOT EXCHANGE MADE.

"THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE NOTIFICATION GIVEN BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY ON JUNE 1, 1966 OF INTENTION TO TERMINATE THE EXISTING, AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND ITALY, DATED FEBRUARY 6, 1948, AS AMENDED. PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 9 OF THAT AGREEMENT, THE TERMINATION WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON JUNE 1, 1967.

"DELEGATIONS REPRESENTING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY ARE NOW ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONCLUDING A NEW AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT. SINCE IT IS APPARENT THAT IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE, BEFORE THE TERMINATION DATE OF THE PRESENT AGREEMENT, WHETHER OR NOT A NEW AGREEMENT CAN BE CONCLUDED, IT IS DESIRABLE THAT THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF THE EXISTING AGREEMENT BE DEFERRED. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE US DELEGATION HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THIS DEFERRAL COULD BE USEFUL. IF IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT THE ITALIAN NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TERMINATE SHALL REMAIN EFFECTIVE, AND THAT THE TERMINATION SHALL TAKE EFFECT AT 12:01A.M. ON JUNE 8, 1967."

"IF THE FOREGOING IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IT IS ROPOSED THAT THIS NOTE

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VERBALE AND THE EMBASSY'S REPLY IN CONCURRENCE SHALL CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS TO DEFER THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF THE EXISTING AGREEMENT, ON THE CONDITION THAT THE ITALIAN NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TERMINATE SHALL REMAIN EFFECTIVE, AS SET FORTH ABOVE. ".

" THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TAKES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO "RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE EXPRESSIONS OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION."

2. US NOTE IN REPLY READS AS FOLLOWS:

"THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE MINISTRY'S NOTE VERBALE NUMBER (--) DATED MAY 31, 1967, WHICH TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH, READS AS FOLLOWS:

(THE MINISTRY'S NOTE QUOTED IN FULL ABOVE)

"THE EMBASSY IS PLEASED TO CONFIRM TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THAT THE PROPOSAL TO EXTEND THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF THE EXISTING AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND ITALY TO 12:01 A.M. JUNE 8, 1967, ON THE CONDITION STATED IN THE MINISTRY'S NOTE VERBALE IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."

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